



Problem Solving Courts Committee

February 19, 2010
12:00 pm - 1:30 pm
Conference Call

Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order and Review of Minutes

Judge Surbeck called the meeting to order 12:05 pm. Members present included Judge Jacobi, Judge Monroe, Chris Cunningham, Judge Dartt, Judge Blau, Sheila Hudson, Judge Jeff Todd, Judge Brugnaux, Judge Christ-Garcia and Judge Trockman. IJC staff present included Jamie Bergacs, Mary Kay Hudson, Diane Mains and Justin Miller. Members reviewed and approved the minutes from the committee meeting held December 4, 2009.

II. Legislative Update

Diane Mains reviewed the amendments made to HB 1271 approved on first reading in the House, which included removing the reference to adopting rules under IC 4-22-2 [Sec. 12(c)] and removing the provisional requiring the parole board to discharge from all parole obligations if the problem solving court makes a recommendation to the parole board that the individual be discharged from all parole obligations. [Sec. 12 (d)] Ms. Mains reported that the bill is scheduled for second reading in the House on February 22, 2010.

III. Policy Issues Related to Adoption of HB 1271

Members discussed that HB 1271 requires the board of directors to adopt rules on several key issues related to problem-solving court operations, including eligibility, user fees, provisional certification and staff qualifications. If the bill passes, the committee must develop interim rules for the board's consideration while developing the final rules for problem-solving courts. Member's scheduled a meeting on March, 2010 at 1 pm at IJC to discuss the development of interim rules in the event the bill passes. If the bill does not pass, the meeting will be cancelled. IJC will develop a list of issues for the members' consideration and discussion at the March 12th meeting.

IV. Education Subcommittee Report

Sheila Hudson provided members with an update on future problem-solving court education events.

- **2010 PSC Workshop**
The workshop will be held on October 6-7, 2010 at the Renaissance in Carmel. The workshop will begin at 12:00 pm on October 6th and conclude at approximately 4:00 pm on the 7th. Judge Trockman stated that he would like for the subcommittee to consider hosting the Bridges Our of Poverty curriculum at the October workshop.
- **Reentry Court Planning Training**
The first reentry court planning training will be held at IJC on August 10-12, 2010. Subcommittee members are developing the agenda and will have a draft for the committee's review at the April 30, 2010 committee meeting.
- **Reentry Court Staff Orientation**
The first staff orientation meeting will be held in early 2011. Subcommittee members are in the process of developing an agenda for that training.

V. Outreach and Coordination with Other State Agencies

As a follow-up to the previous meeting discussion on engaging DOC, the Public Defender Council and the Prosecuting Attorneys Council, Mary Kay Hudson reported that Jane Seigel recommended inviting Steve Johnson, Larry Landis and a representative from DOC to the committee meetings. Mary Kay Hudson will invite these individual to the April meeting.

VI. Adjourn

Judge Surbeck adjourned the meeting at approximately 1:30 pm.

- VII. Next meeting dates: March 12, 2010 at 1:00 pm at IJC
April 30, 2010 at 10 am at IJC